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I have further received messages from the Hon. Speaker, Legislative Assembly, transmitting copies of the following resolutions as passed by the Assembly on August 11, 1965 :—

(1) " That this House recommends to the Legislative Council that they do nominate five Members of the Council to associate with the Committee on Public Accounts of this House for the year 1965–66 and communicate to this House the names of the Members so nominated."

(2) " That this House recommends to the Legislative Council that they do nominate five Members of the Council to associate with the Committee on Estimates of this House for the year 1965–66 and communicate to this House the names of the Members so nominated."

I have further received a message from the Hon. Speaker, Legislative Assembly, transmitting a copy of the motion as passed by the Assembly on 10th August 1965 for the setting up of a Joint Select Committee of both the Houses consisting of 18 Members (12 Members of the Legislative Assembly and 6 Members of the Legislative Council) to consider the Madras Medical Practitioners Bill, 1965 (L.A. Bill No. 22 of 1965) and that the following Members of the Legislative Assembly be selected to serve on such a Joint Select Committee :—

1 The Hon. Srimathi Jothi Vencatachellum.
2 Sri K. S. G. Haja Sheriff.
3 Sri P. Ramachandran.
4 Sri M. Alagiriswamy.
5 Sri P. R. Sreenivasa Padayachi.
6 Sri R. Ponnappa Nadar.
7 Sri K. P. Palaniswamy.
8 Sri R. Rangaswamy.
9 Sri Rama Arangannal.
10 Sri S. Murugaiyan.
11 Sri K. R. Nallasivam.
12 Sri P. K. Mookiah Thevar.

III.—STATEMENT UNDER RULE 82 OF THE COUNCIL RULES.

* THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Chairman, Sir, I wish to make the following statement :—

During the discussion on the Madras State Electricity Board Budget on the floor of this House on the 3rd August 1965, the hon. Member Sri K. Anbazhagan stated that the date of birth of the Personnel Officer had been corrected in the establishment list of the Madras State Electricity Board. In my reply I had stated that the alteration in the date of birth in the Service Register was approved in 1938, about 27 years ago, by the then Chief Engineer

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(Electricity), and that I shall personally examine the records. I have since looked into the records relating to the case. The position is as follows :—

The officer entered service on 3rd February 1936 as temporary typist in the Madras Record Office. His date of birth was recorded as 11th October 1916 in his service register based on the entry appearing in his S.S.L.C. book. On 27th July 1936, he joined the office of the Chief Engineer for Electricity as typist. On 15th February 1938, he applied to the Chief Engineer for Electricity for the alteration of his date of birth recorded in his Service Register as "12th October 1917" stating that the entry in his S.S.L.C. book was not correct. He produced an extract from the Birth Register of the Corporation of Madras in support of his request. I have the record also with me. Under the Fundamental Rules the Chief Engineer was competent to alter the date of birth of the non-gazetted staff. The alteration of the date of birth as 12th October 1917 was approved and attested in the Service Register by the then Deputy Chief Electrical Engineer, Mr. E. J. B. Greenwood, on 1st April 1938. Obviously the correction was not carried out in the establishment list of the department till 1953. This is the record which the hon. Member relies on. The correction has been made in the establishment list of the then Electricity Department of the Government of Madras as on 1st October 1953 printed in 1954. The Government are satisfied that the corrections made are sustained.

IV.—GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

(1) Association of five members with the Committee on Public Accounts of the Legislative Assembly.

3.20 p.m. The Hon. Sri R. VENKATARAMAN : Mr. Chairman, Sir, I move—

"That this House nominates the following five Members to associate with the Committee on Public Accounts of the Legislative Assembly for the year 1965–66 :—

1 Sri S. K. Sambandhan.

2 Sri N. V. Natarajan.

3 Sri A. Sambasiva Reddiar.

4 Sri K. Rajaram.

5 Sri M. Ethirajulu."

Mr. CHAIRMAN : The question is—

"That this House nominates the following five Members to associate with the Committee on Public Accounts of the Legislative Assembly for the year 1965–66 :—

1 Sri S. K. Sambandhan.

2 Sri N. V. Natarajan.

3 Sri A. Sambasiva Reddiar.

4 Sri K. Rajaram.

5 Sri M. Ethirajulu."

The motion was put and carried.